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Omaha District

## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Application No: NE 04-10066, Amendment 1**  
**Applicant: City of Grand Island**  
**Waterway: Platte River**  
**Issue Date: March 31, 2004**

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**Reply To:**  
**NEBRASKA REGULATORY OFFICE – KEARNEY**  
**1430 CENTRAL AVENUE, KEARNEY, NEBRASKA 68847**

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Notice is hereby given that the **City of Grand Island** was granted an amendment to an emergency authorization pursuant to Section 404 of the Clean Water Act following a compliance inspection on March 4, 2004. On February 20, 2004, the city had been authorized to excavate a pilot channel in the Platte River for the purpose of preventing encroachment of high nitrate groundwater into the city's well field. The site is located in the Southeast ¼ of Section 22 and the Southwest ¼ of Section 23, Township 10 North, Range 10 West, Hall County, Nebraska. The project was started and completed on February 26, 2004.

Because river flows were higher than anticipated, the use of a bulldozer was not feasible, and a track hoe positioned on the left river bank had to be used instead. The excavated material was placed along one side of the pilot channel, rather than both sides, as earlier planned. When the 300-foot long pilot channel had been excavated, the intended channel flow balance had not been achieved, making it necessary to excavate approximately 700 additional feet upstream, for a total of 1,000 feet. All excavated material was placed along the left bank.

The amended project is subject to all of the terms and conditions of the original permit. No special conditions were added.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** For additional information, please call **Keith Tillotson at 308-234-1403**.

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